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DEPT FOR BURT INR/MP; BEIRUT FOR GEOGRAPHIC ATTACHE

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SUBJ: VISIT TO PAKISTAN BY GEOGRAPHIC ATTACHE

REF: A. BEIURT 12823

B. ISLAMABAD 5764

C. STATE 206338

1. EMBASSY MPPO ARCHARD MET MFA DIRECTOR FOR AMERICAS
NAIM NOVEMBER 4, PRESENTED DIPLOMATIC NOTE DEALING
WITH PROPOSED VISIT TO PAKISTAN OF REGIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
ATTACHE, DR. GOLBERT HELD. NAIM ASKED THAT ANY PLANS
FOR HELD'S VISIT BE HELD IN ABEYANCE PENDING RECEIPT
OF GOP COUNTERPROPOSAL REGARDING PROJECTED MAP EXCHANGE.

2. NAIM WOULD NOT REVEAL DETAILS OF COUNTERPROPOSAL
WHICH HE SAID HAD ONLY TO CLEAR FORMALITIES BEFORE
PRESENTATION TO US WITHIN 3-4 DAYS. HOWEVER, IT APPARENTLY
WILL BE MUCH MORE EXTENSIVE THAN OUREUGGESTED MAP
EXCHANGE AS NAIM SAID IF AGREEMENT IS REACHED,
INFORMATION NORMALLY COLLECTED BY RGO WOULD BE OBTAINABLE
ROUTINELY THROUGH MFA. UNTIL AGREEMENT IS REACHED,
HE SAID, HE DOES NOT THINK THAT INFORMATION ON MAPS
SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE. IN ADDITION, IF HELD WERE
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TO VISIT, NAIM SAID HE DID NOT THINK IT ADVISABLE FOR

HELD TO CALL AT ALL OFFICES LISTED REF C.

3. ARCHARD POINTED OUT THAT PURPOSE OF HLD'S VISIT MUCH MORE EXTENSIVE THAN MAP EXCHANGE, THAT IN FACT MOST OF HIS MEETINGS WOULD DEAL WITH OTHER MATERIALS SUCH AS STATISTICAL PUBLICATIONS, CLIMATIC DATA, ETC., MOST OF WHICH WAS UNCLASSIFIED. NAIM COUNTERED THAT UNDER PAK PROPOSAL THESE WOULD BE AVAILABLE THROUGH MFA. WHEN ARCHARD SAID THAT PART OF PURPOSE VISITS TO LEARN WHAT MATERIAL AVAILABLE SO REQUESTS COULD BE MADE, NAIM REPLIED THAT HELD HAD ALREADY MADE SEVERAL VISITS, THUS ADDITIONAL ONES "UNNECESSARY".

4. IN VIEW OF MFA'S INSISTENCE THAT ALL APPOINTMENTS FOR GOP AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OFFICERS BE MADE THROUGH MFA'S PROTOCOL OFFICE AND CONSIDERING NAIM'S SEEMING DESIRE TO DISCOURAGE RGO'S VISIT, EMBASSY SUGGESTS HELD TEMPORARILY SUSPEND PLANS FOR TRIP TO PAKISTAN. WHEN EMBASSY RECEIVES AND CAN DIGEST GOP COUNTERPROPOSAL, WE WILL REVIEW MATTER OF RGO'S TRAVEL TO SEE IF IT WOULD STILL BE FRUITFUL OR IF IT COULD BE RESCHEDULED FOR LATER DATE.

5. ON RECEIPT OF COUNTERPROPOSAL EMBASSY WILL TELEGRAPH SIGNIFICANT DETAILS TO ADDRESSEES AND AIR POUCH COMPLETE TEXT.
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